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May 30, 2002

The Honorable Board of Supervisors  
County of Los Angeles  
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration  
500 West Temple Street  
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

**AWARD OF CONSULTANT SERVICES AGREEMENT  
SUN VALLEY PARK INFILTRATION SYSTEM DESIGN  
SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 3  
3 VOTES**

**IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:**

Award and authorize the Director of Public Works to enter into an agreement with CH2MHill to design, prepare plans, specifications, and construction cost estimates for the Sun Valley Park Infiltration System Design project for a not to exceed fee of \$205,000, to be funded through Flood Control District funds and establish the effective date following Board approval.

**PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION**

The purpose of the Sun Valley Park Infiltration System Design project is to contain stormwater flow from the 49-acre area upstream of the park and treat the stormwater within Sun Valley Park. The project will include design of infiltration areas and stormwater pollution removal devices.

This multipurpose project will reduce stormwater pollution, help to mitigate severe flooding, increase water conservation, and expand recreational opportunities. This is an initial pilot demonstration project being built in accordance with the goals of the Sun Valley Watershed Management Plan.

### **Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals**

Awarding this agreement will meet the County Strategic Plan Goal of Fiscal Responsibility and will allow Public Works to manage resources in a more efficient and responsible manner.

### **FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING**

There will be no impact to the County's General Fund. Financing for the agreement is available from the Fiscal Year 2001-02 Flood Control District fund.

The recommended agreement for the project is for an aggregate not to exceed fee of \$205,000, including \$19,000 for unforeseen additional work which may arise during progress of the work. Additional work within this allowance will not be performed without prior written authorization from the Director of Public Works.

### **FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS**

A standard Consultant Services Agreement, previously approved as to form by County Counsel, will be used. The agreement includes a clause for termination of services upon prior written notice and a renegotiation clause as directed by your Board.

As requested by your Board on August 12, 1997, and as a threshold requirement for consideration of contract award, CH2MHill is willing to consider Greater Avenues for Independence participants for future employment.

CH2MHill has demonstrated satisfactory compliance with the County's Child Support Compliance Program.

### **ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION**

A finding of environmental impact is not required for the award of these consultant services agreements. Any project that may be proposed as a result of these services will undergo the appropriate environmental review.

### **CONTRACTING PROCESS**

On April 25, 2001, Public Works sent out requests for proposals to develop select lists of engineering consultants to provide as needed services. The proposals were sent to 29 selected firms, advertised on the County's web page, listed on the Office of Small Business website, and placed in several publications. The firms selected as the best qualified were CH2MHill, David Evans and Associates, Burns and McDonnell, Lee and Ro, and AKM Consulting.

Each of the selected firms is being given an abridged request for proposal in the select list order. A concerted effort is also being made to provide each consultant with equitable work opportunities.

Participation by Community Business Enterprises (CBE) in the project is encouraged through Public Works' CBE Outreach Program and the requirement that consultants demonstrate their good faith efforts to utilize CBEs. CH2MHill is aware of the Public Works' CBE Outreach Program and their proposed CBE participation is on file with Public Works.

### **IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)**

There will be no negative impact on current County services or project during the performance of the recommended consultant services.

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**CONCLUSION**

Please return two approved copies of this letter to Public Works.

Respectfully submitted,

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cc: Chief Administrative Office  
County Counsel  
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